

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD
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Board Legislative Committee Minutes
Friday, November 14, 2008
3:30 pm

Committee Members: Ray Peck, Chair
John Paull
Terry Smith

Staff: Roxanne Minnehan, Melanie Symons, Scott Miller, Kim Flatow, and Barbara Quinn, MPERA staff; John Nielsen, PERB Vice President.

Other Attendees: No members of the public present.

Public Comment – No public comment.

Executive Director's Report

The Board received the final bill drafts and corresponding tables for the Boards' legislation. The Board packet also included a list of introduced retirement bills, 2009 Legislature composition, legislative leadership and updated "green sheets" (retirement plan summary tables).

Identify possible Bill Sponsors for Board Legislation

We need to line up sponsors so that bills may be pre-introduced in December.

Some possibilities for bill sponsors are:

LC 0258 Qualification Bill

Mike Menehan and Galen Hollenbaugh

LC 0259 Working Retiree Bill

Franke Wilmer

LC 0260 General Revisions Bill

Chuck Hunter, Wande Grinde, Jill Cohenour and Franke Wilmer

Other possible sponsors are current members of SAVA Gary McClaren, Larry Jent, Franke Wilmer, Carolyn Squires and Kelly Gebhardt. Dave Kasten was also discussed as a possible sponsor.

Motion: Mr. Terry Smith moved to direct staff to identify possible bill sponsors based on the list included with the agenda and any other legislators that would be interested in carry a bill for MPERA.

Second: Mr. John Paull

No public comment.

Vote: 3/0

Stakeholder's Draft Retirement Bills

An un-introduced bill list was included in the packet. Also included was the bill draft, LC113 for the 911 dispatchers to join SRS. Before we can receive an actuarial impact statement we need to obtain employee data. We have been working with Kathy McGowan for this information.

Other Issues Relating to Retirement Proposals

Next Meeting

A meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at 1:30 pm. A schedule for weekly meetings possibly Tuesday, during the legislative session, was discussed and will be acted on at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned 4:15 pm by Mr. Ray Peck, Chairman.